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| In re Application of: T. Barge et al. |) | Confirmation Number 9030 |
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| Serial No.: 10/069,058 |) | Group Art Unit: 2814 |
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| Filed: February 20, 2002 |) | Examiner: Marcos D. Pizarro- |
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| For: METHOD FOR TREATING SUBSTRATES |) | Attorney Docket No.: 4717-4600 |
| FOR MICROELECTRONICS AND |) | |
| SUBSTRATES OBTAINED ACCORDING |) | |
| TO SAID METHOD |) | |

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks for entry into the file of this application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 herein.

Remarks begin on page 6 herein.

No fees are believed to be required for timely consideration of this paper. Should any fees accrue or be required, however, please charge such fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814, Reference 4717-4600.